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PATENT APPLICATION

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TITLE: Error Corrective Mechanisms for Consensus Decoding of Speech

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Enclosed are the following papers relating to the above-named application for patent:

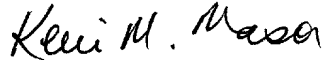
Application - 14 pages of Specification, 7 pages of Claims and 1 page of Abstract
6 Sheets of informal drawing(s)
Declaration (unexecuted)

CLAIMS AS FILED				
	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	CALCULATIONS
Total Claims	23-20 =	3	x \$18 =	\$ 54
Independent Claims	8 - 3 =	5	x \$80 =	\$ 400
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if applicable			\$270 =	\$ 0
Basic Fee				\$ 710
TOTAL FEE:				\$1,164

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